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SALEM ANSWERS THE CALL

Our friends over on the Oregon Statesman, in Salem, were resentful when we spoke here in disparaging terms of their city's record—very poor—in responding to the call for blood donors. The resentment has now vanished in satisfaction over the record made on the latest blood-mobile visit to the capital city. This we learn from an editorial in the Statesman in which, also, there is notice taken of Bend's great record.

By way of helping to give publicity to Salem's awakening to the need for blood and of showing the recognition of the local response we reprint the Statesman's editorial. It reads:

The word was getting around the state that you couldn't squeeze blood from Salem any more than from turnips. It got so other cities, like Bend, for instance, could crow (justifiably) over their response to the Red Cross blood-mobile's visits and sneaker at Salem's evident lack of interest in giving blood to save lives.

Frankly, blood donations in this area were pretty skimpy. We made our quota only about half the time. Until, that is, until Tuesday. Salem really came through this week. The 228 pints collected from local citizens represent a peacetime record high for this city. There were so many donors some had to be turned away for lack of time and equipment.

The big incentive, now, to giving blood to the Red Cross is, probably, the fact that your blood may save the life of some American boy, perhaps your own, serving overseas. Whatever the reason for the unexpectedly large turnout Tuesday, the results are wonderful. The donors, the doctors who contributed their services, and the volunteer workers who are organizing the blood drive can feel real pride in the start made.

A good start, they say, is half the job. But the job's not over. There will be more bloodmobile visits and the need for plasma for both civilian and military use increases constantly. We hope Salem will be setting new records from now on. No turnips here!

Good for Salem.

E. B. ALDRICH, EDITOR

Could E. B. Aldrich have lived to see the completion of the McNary dam he would, we are sure, have realized his greatest wish. Still it was so close to reality that the one who had watched it grow from a builder's dream to a massive work under the builder's hand could have had no cause to doubt its certainty. It was one of the projects to which he, as a newspaper editor and publisher, had devoted himself in the half century of his career.

Ed Aldrich was associated with the Pendleton East Oregonian for approximately two-thirds of the life of that publication and for a less time in the ownership also of the Astorian-Budget. In Pendleton, succeeding the late C. S. Jackson, who had gone on to the Oregon Journal in Portland, the young editor, newly graduated from the Oregon Agricultural college, had no easy task before him. Even so, he made time for public service. He held membership on the board of regents of his alma mater until the state board of higher education took over administration of the Oregon colleges and the university. He became a member of the state highway commission and, as we recall it, his eight years in that capacity still stands as a record for length of service on the commission. A splendid system of surfaced roads in Umatilla county attests to the effectiveness of his work.

In the early twenties his interest in power development on the Columbia was first manifest. It continued for the remainder of the life which ended suddenly Saturday night. He will be remembered for this, for his double service to the state, for his long career in newspaper publishing and for himself.

Gail Baker Runs Trapline Again

Gail C. Baker, Deschutes national forest staff member who "trapped his way through college" is again following trap lines while taking his annual leave from office work.

This season, Baker is trapping in the Newberry crater area, for the first time, and so far has caught 10 martens. A number of weasels have also showed up in the traps, but few of these have yet taken on their white winter coat.

Winter has arrived early in the high country, and the task of following the trap lines has been difficult, Baker said. Two feet of snow already covers the Newberry crater here, and new snow has

fallen every day for the past week.

While attending Oregon State college, Baker trapped in the fall months and enrolled for the winter and spring terms, until his upperclassman years.

Baker is fire assistant on the Deschutes forest, and in the summer months is "tied up" in the office most of the time. Trapping, he noted, provides a real vacation from office work.

GROUP HOLDS AUCTION

Redmond, Nov. 21—The Redmond Church of Christ women's council held a no-hostess party Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wesley Newton. The highlight of the afternoon's entertainment was an auction of "white elephants" which had been brought by members. Auctioneers were Mrs. Carleton Moore and Mrs. Dorothy Lowry. Mrs. Bruce Balfour of Powell Butte was a guest.



(NEA Telephone)
ALONE—Carlton Amey of Allentown, Pa., stares dejectedly at the Christmas trains he was helping his son, Larry, erect in preparation for the holiday. Amey's three children died in a hospital where they were taken after they were overcome by gas in their home. Amey's wife also was overcome, but she is recovering.

Our Changing World



WASHINGTON COLUMN

Washington (NEA) — Ohio's Sen. Robert A. Taft, the victorious republican "happy warrior," came back to Washington to say again that he would not campaign for the GOP presidential nomination, though he would take it if offered. When he started answering questions, however, he certainly talked like a candidate.

One of Taft's greatest virtues has always been that he said exactly what he thought. That has involved him in a lot of hot fights in the past. But at his first Washington post-election press conference, he sounded a lot more like Mr. Caution than Mr. Republican.

There was little of his best "give 'em hell" technique in what he had to say. This, "would require careful consideration." That he had "not made up his mind about." The other, "was something I don't know enough about."

He corrected an important policy statement on which he said he had been misrepresented, before he came back east.

Out there, he had given the impression that the whole arms aid program should be cut back. He had thrown a tremendous scare into some of the democratic foreign policy planners in Washington and some governments abroad.

Here in the capital he said he was not against military aid to Europe. There would have to be some. He was not against increasing the number of American divisions sent to western Germany.

The point he wanted to make was that the scope, the method and the character of the arms aid program ought to be re-examined.

What about far eastern policy? It depended on whether we continued the bipartisan foreign policy, the senator said. The question ought to be studied very carefully.

He thought anyone who called anyone else an "isolationist" was an idiot. There just couldn't be any such thing as an isolationist.

Senator Taft saying this, mind you.

The senator was asked if he would propose amendments to the Taft-Hartley act. He said there were some which he favored, and which "ought to be considered." He thought the Taft-Hartley law was here for as far ahead as he could see, but he didn't want to commit himself on all the old proposals.

Originally the senator said he had been in favor of the ban on industry-wide bargaining. It had lost by one vote in the senate. But some of the international unions had to have industry-wide bargaining, so the subject should be reconsidered.

Did the senator think the 1950 elections indicated a trend for 1952? Yes, he did—but a lot of things could happen between now and then.

Did he think rent controls should be extended. He doubted it, but if an extension was needed, they might go along with price controls. He did not believe wage and price controls were necessary at this moment. Then he hastened to add that this was purely a personal opinion. Incidentally, it is an opinion shared by President Truman.

Did Senator Taft think there should be an excess profits tax? He hadn't made up his mind. He'd go along with the taxation committees on it.

For the new congress, Senator Taft said he thought the main issues would be the size of the defense program, where the money

was coming from to pay for it, and how inflation could be prevented.

What was this, anyhow? Here was the senator who had taken the lead to cut European aid, to cut Korean aid, to end rent controls, to tie price controls to wage controls. He had voted against an excess profits tax last summer. He had criticized the administration on one side and down the other for its foreign policies.

Yet here he was, pleasant as could be, open-minded on every subject, ready to recognize there was an inflationary problem.

Well, a little responsibility can be an awfully sobering influence.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications are invited on matters of current and local interest. Letters should not be over 400 words in length, on one side of the paper and, if possible, typewritten. Letters or manuscripts submitted for publication will not be returned.

FOR BOYS IN KOREA

Bend, November 18, 1950

To the Editor:

In remembering the boys in Korea who have planned on being home for Christmas and may be disappointed we would like for you to remind people what a disappointment this will be, so let us all get together and anyone having the address of any boys there who have no relatives to either send them a package or write a letter or pass the address on to someone who would like to help make their Christmas brighter.

I have been corresponding with some of the boys and they have been unable to get to a PX so have been without writing paper, cigarettes etc. for a good while. I have been sending things to be divided amongst some of them which have been greatly appreciated.

The postmaster thinks there will be time for mail to reach there in time if mailed right away. Even though it would get there late it will still be very welcome.

I have some neighbors and friends who would like addresses of some of the boys.

Thank you,
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Germans Oppose Armament Plan

Strasbourg, France, Nov. 21 (AP)—German socialist members of the European assembly rejected all suggestions today that west Germany be rearmed for the defense of western Europe.

Fresh from an election victory at home which reflected opposition to German rearmament, the German socialists spoke at the opening of a debate on defense in the assembly's general affairs committee.

The meeting was held behind closed doors, but it was known the German socialists strongly opposed rearmament. On this issue they disagree with the German Christian democrats, the party of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

French foreign minister Robert Schuman is expected here before the end of the week to discuss the French plan for incorporating German "combat teams" in the western defense system.

"The west is reaching a compromise agreement on use of German forces. But today's development pointed up a new problem—the Germans themselves may reject the entire idea, except on their own terms."

The German terms would be complete equality with all other western nations.

The German social democrats won a thumping election victory in Hesse and Württemberg-Baden Sunday. It was generally agreed the voters were casting ballots against rearmament.

Health Activities

The following list of communicable diseases were reported last week, according to the office of the tri-county health department:

Deschutes county: One case of whooping cough; one case of scarlet fever, and one case of chicken pox.

No communicable diseases were reported in Crook or Jefferson counties.

Two members of the local staff, Mrs. Aggie Larson and Miss Elizabeth Scofield, are in Portland this week to attend special classes given by the state board of health for new staff nurses, the department also reported.

On Friday the department will hold its weekly staff conference in the morning and an immunization clinic from 1 to 3 p.m. Both will be conducted at the department office in the courthouse in Bend.

PARENT-TEACHERS MEET

Madras, Nov. 21—Mrs. Carl Darrar, chairman of the recreation program of the Madras grade school Parent-Teachers association, at a meeting last night, reported on her attendance last week at the annual meeting of the League of Oregon Cities in Portland. Mrs. Darrar made recommendations, on information gained through her participation in the Portland discussions, for a local Parent-Teachers plans for vacation day play activities at a city park next summer.

Mrs. Bruce Stewart, chairman of a membership drive, reported that a recent substantial stimulus has been given Parent-Teachers activities.

STUDENTS REINSTATED

Portland, Ore., Nov. 21 (AP)—Five students, suspended last week for a dormitory beer-song fest, were reinstated by University of Oregon officials.

Dean of men Ray Hawk said, "the action was taken by the university to make the punishment more equitable with the crime." The quintet, Vernon Cook, Borling, Fred Risser, Eugene, Thomas Stapleton, The Dalles; George Dock, New York City, and George Murphy, Bristol, England, will resume classes next week. Hawk denied that pressure by students and other groups over the students' ouster had any bearing on the reinstatement.

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Bend's Yesterdays

(From The Bulletin Files)

(November 21, 1920.)

A. J. Weston was found guilty of second degree murder here today by a jury hearing Deschutes county's first murder case. Weston was accused of killing Robert H. Krug, of Sisters. Weston protested his innocence even after the jury delivered its verdict.

Bend and Madras football teams battled to a 7 to 7 tie Friday. In the final minutes of play, Ralph Hamer, Bend missed a drop kick by inches.

R. S. Hamilton has been named president of the newly-formed Bend Commercial club. A secretary is yet to be named.

AILMENT MYSTERIOUS

Peterborough, Ont., Nov. 21 (AP) Health authorities, alarmed by a mysterious throat ailment which caused the death of a three-year-old child and hospitalized his sister, issued a city-wide appeal today for all parents to call a doctor immediately if their children show signs of sore throats.

Dr. H. G. Carleton, local coroner, reported that an autopsy on the body of Jimmy Mason failed to reveal the nature of the disease. Jimmy died yesterday gasping for breath five hours after complaining of a sore throat.

CYCOLOGY SEZ



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